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Central California Is
Coming Into Its OwnDawn of Prosperity Is
Just Starting In
East Bay

Many visitors marvel at the improvements, the building of homes and business places, along the San Pablo highway from Oakland through Albany, Richmond, San Pablo and Pinole on to the Carquinez strait bridge, now being constructed. This bridge, when completed, will be central California's greatest asset as a business proposition.

The Crockett Signal describes the construction work as follows: Four cars of rails for additional sidings which the Southern Pacific will construct at this place to expedite the handling of steel for the Carquinez Strait bridge arrived this week and a force of laborers is engaged in preliminary operations.

Five cars of lumber and five cars of piling are also here for use by the United States Steel Products Co. in the construction of a wharf 500x1600 feet. This dock will be "E" shaped, containing two berths for the accommodation of the barges on which the assembled steel will be placed for conveyance to the bridge. All steel for the bridge will be assembled and erected on this wharf. The last span of the bridge will be assembled in its entirety, shunted onto two barges and at high tide floated into place.

The above briefly covers operations to date of the United States Steel Products Co., contractors on the steel work of the bridge.

The Missouri Valley Bridge and Iron Co., sub contractors on the foundations, are progressing satisfactorily with their part of the gigantic undertaking.

Caisson 3W, which reached bedrock a few days ago, will be completed early next week, according to the engineers. Pouring concrete into the big structure is nearly done.

Caisson 2W is resting on the floor of the strait, with 30 feet of mud to penetrate before hitting bedrock.

Caisson 3E is in place, with 60 out of 145 feet completed.

Caisson 2E—Cutting edge just laid at wharf and construction of crib started. Will be ready to launch in three weeks for towing into place.

Insurance Men
To Meet Here

Annual meeting of the Contra Costa county insurance agents' association will be held Monday evening in Richmond. Following the dinner which will be served at 6:30, the business meeting will take place, the principal business being election of officers for the coming year. Insurance men from all parts of the county are expected.

Telephone Courtesy

Telephone companies insist that subscribers shall be treated with courtesy, and their employees are trained with that object in view. Politeness is becoming more and more a business asset, and nowhere is it more helpful in keeping the wheels of commerce running smoothly than in the telephone service. Officials of the companies state that on the whole the public is polite, too, and the grouchy exceptions stand out conspicuously.

Wonderful Growth of
East Bay District
Cities

The phenomenal growth of the eastbay cities, and their increase in population cannot be realized, or even estimated, by comparison with the census statistics of the government, which are computed on the 1910-1920 basis.

The census survey just completed, taken on school enrollments, postoffice deliveries and the records of public service corporations show surprising gains, figures that give the eastbay's population over a half million.

Little Albany, of course, swells the average with her 175 per cent, that city having a slight advantage in "ratio," but the phenomenal growth, with the advantages of climate, industrial inducements and other resources, no doubt have turned the tide of emigration from the south to thrifty localities around San Francisco Bay.

The following statistics are reliable, and while not government census figures, are accurate. The growth in population of Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, Richmond and Albany since 1920, follows:

In 1920 the government census survey gave Oakland's population as 216,361; January 1, 1926, population 295,415; gain 37 per cent. Berkeley, 1920 had 55,036; 1926, has 80,691; gain 44 per cent.

Alameda, 1920 had 28,816, in 1926 has 36,143; gain of 44 per cent.

Richmond, in 1920 had 16,843; in 1926 has 28,072; gain 66 per cent.

Albany, in 1920 had 2247; in 1926 has 6147; gain of 175 per cent.

It will be seen by these accurate figures that Oakland, Alameda, Berkeley, Richmond and Albany have gained, in six years, in population, averaging the five cities, 69.7 per cent in population.

U. S. Supreme Court
Docket Congested

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—The supreme court of the United States has opened its new term with 780 cases awaiting action on its docket. Involved in these suits are a maze of issues. The first action of the court was the calling of the docket of original cases in which states are parties, for the purpose of eliminating those not prosecuted with reasonable diligence. The supreme court will have its hands full during the present term, which will probably last until June or July of next year.

We Have Good Postmaster

The reappointment of incumbent Postmaster James N. Long has met with the approval of everyone in Richmond, which may account for there being no candidate for the position. Postmaster Long has advanced the office from its "pioneer stages" to one of the modern government plants in the P. O. department. He has surrounded himself with efficient help, and every department is conducted by courteous and efficient clerks. Richmond's postoffice is second to none.

The Elks Charity show was well attended all three nights and the receipts will mount four figures, it is said.

Annex Election to Be
Held Friday,
Dec. 18

Friday, December the 18th is election day in Richmond Annex. The natives of that prosperous and fine residential district will have an opportunity to "absorb Richmond," and it looks like they are going to do it.

Messrs. Johnston and Bull and other speakers have been down there and told them of the advantages in the way of development and the enhancing of property values, to say nothing of fire protection and conveniences that go with being "in town."

There was a feeling at first that the taxes would be jumped, and that there would be other expenses of government added, but that has been fully explained in the answer, that the residents will get value received for every dollar they are taxed.

Oakland, Berkeley, Albany and Richmond will soon be welded together. Soon they will be one community—in fact, are one now. There is no line of distinction, and by co operation much can be accomplished.

United States Largest
Producer of Autos

Washington, D. C., December 11.—More than 90 per cent of the automobiles of the world are manufactured in the United States. Cars and trucks built in American factories during the year 1924 totaled 3,640,108, while the estimated production of Great Britain, France, Italy and Germany was only 330,000. Added to these countries might be the smaller production of Belgium, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland and Sweden, and then the total produced in Europe would not exceed 350,000.

City in Brief

City Clerk A. C. Faris is improving, and is now on duty again.

A lien against George Curtis and the National Paving company was filed with the city council Monday night by R. C. Armstead.

Permits for the sale of soft drinks as a side line were granted Monday night by the city council to S. S. Thompson, 1321 Macdonald avenue, and James E. Maxwell, 805 Macdonald avenue. A permit for the sale of soft drinks was denied by the council to Thomas Westfall, 210 Macdonald avenue.

The master plumbers bond of W. M. Young which was presented to the city council Monday night was referred to the city attorney for one week.

The settlement of litigation over land in the Harbor Center tract, which involved territory east of 14th and between Ohio and Cutting, will start improvements in that district. This is destined to be a thickly populated residential section.

Joe Puts One Over

G. Dagna, popular Richmond grocer at 11th and Macdonald, put one over on his friends by capturing a pretty Albany girl, Miss Caru Coggiola, the wedding taking place about last June. It has leaked out that Joe lost a substantial bet that he could fool the boys for six months. Joe says, "It can't be done."

To Seek Independence
Filipines Ask Too
Much

Washington, D. C., Dec. 11.—There arrived in Washington recently a group of individuals who seek to secure for the Filipinos their independence. This body of men, known as the special Independence commission, are frank in stating that their purpose here is to try and persuade congress to grant their independence. They will no doubt issue propaganda and circulate it throughout the United States. There is a grave doubt in the minds of many legal experts as to the right of congress to grant independence to the Philippines. In the opinion of many the only way that the Philippines can be separated from the United States is by the adoption of a constitutional amendment, because sovereignty does not rest in congress but in the people. If one will read the constitution, it will be seen that the framers of that famous document did not intend that congress should have such powers. In fact, in 1788, the time of the Virginia constitutional convention, such an amendment failed of adoption.

Whether or not the Filipinos have arrived at a point where they can properly govern themselves is questioned by many. In addition to that there remains the legal phase of the question.

Strong on Johnson

The Johnsons now lead the Smiths in Seattle. For some time there has been an interesting race between the Johnsons and the Smiths as to which family should appear the greatest number of times in the local telephone book. Six months ago the Smiths led by four names, but since then the Johnsons have forged ahead rapidly, so that they now have a lead of 33. There are 605 Johnsons and 572 Smiths in the latest edition of the telephone directory.

Elephant Considered
Best Animal Tactician

It is said that the elephant may be regarded as the best tactician to be found among animals. It is said that in crossing a river the smallest one leads the way, and he is followed by a slightly larger one. Then comes another still larger than he, and the bigger ones come last of all.

It is said that if their bigger ones went first, they would not enable the rest of the herd to judge whether the water is shallow enough for all to pass, for the tallest ones would probably find the passage practicable and easy, but the others would find it dangerous and difficult, because they would not rise above the level of the stream. But the fact that the smallest one is able to get across is a sign in itself that there is no difficulty.

And moreover, if the bigger elephants went in first, they would deepen the river for the small ones, by forcing the mud down into ruts and trenches, owing to the heaviness of the animal and the thickness of his feet.

When Time Stands Still
"Go 'head, Ezzy, it's your move."
"Turn it, wot's the rush? I haven't got rested from movin' that other checker, yit."—Judge.

Bless You, It All Depends
Servis—The best way to get along is to mind your own business.
Worth—Unless you are an efficiency expert.—Life.

George Wall, well known realty dealer of San Francisco, was in Richmond Wednesday on business connected with the Harbor Center

One Bid Is Received
For Dredging
Channel

The Pacific Coast Dredging Co.'s bid was the only one submitted to the city council at Monday night's meeting. This was a bid for dredging the channel in front of Richmond municipal wharf No. 1.

There were two provisions in the bids, one was for 26½ cents and the other for 27 cents per cubic yard. The latter price applies to removing the silt from the south end of the channel.

The above prices are based on dumping the silt at Red Rock. If dumped at California City, 5c per cubic yard additional is asked.

The company asked that four months be granted for performing the work.

Twin's Obvious Advantage

Betty—So you and your brother are twins?
Susie—Yes, that's what we are.
"Which one says the prayers?"

Tragedy and Comedy
Oddly Mixed on Stage

A symbol of the Spartan spirit of vaudeville is exemplified by Ben Welch, who has for years portrayed those serio-comic bits of Hebrew life.

Several years ago he was playing in a revue with Frances White in Washington. He was handed a paper, reached for it but it fluttered to the floor.

"Don't reach for it," he whispered. "I am blind. Go on as though nothing had happened."

The audience laughed and he turned a fitting joke. In a flash Ben Welch had entered the long black night.

He went on from city to city, continuing during the run of the show.

Blindness was the beginning of an illness that today has left him totally paralyzed, but he has not faltered. Stage-hands carry him out to a bench in front of a park backdrop. The curtain goes up and there is Welch, sightless and helpless, making people laugh and sometimes cry.

This is more often than not in vaudeville. Tragedy wearing the mask of the mime—O. O. McIntyre, in Hearst's International-Cosmopolitan.

Old Indian Cemetery
Found in California

An ancient Indian graveyard, believed to antedate the California mission period, was discovered recently near Purissima mission in the Santa Ynez valley near here, by Don Meadows and Ray Gruwell, Orange, Cal., research workers. A number of prehistoric specimens, including several Indian skeletons, skulls, beads and arrowheads were obtained, says an Associated Press dispatch from Santa Barbara.

The burial plot, once the "happy hunting grounds" of the bronzed warrior of the West, was situated in the center of what was a large bean patch, which, up to the time of the discovery, completely obliterated all trace of the important find.

According to Meadows, they dug through three different layers of graves, each from three to four feet in depth. It is possible that there are other graves below, he said.

The graves were buried in a sitting posture with the knees crooked beneath the chin. Of forty skeletons which were unearthed, every one was found facing the west—toward the setting sun.

Above each grave, as a sort of partition between it and the one above, was found a limestone slab, several inches thick.

County Tax Collector Martin W. Joost took in over the counter Monday, the last day for taxes, \$181,458.24. This was cash.

THE TERMINAL can print it for you. Call up Richmond 132.

More Filling Stations
Gas, Oil and GreaseCity Council Change
Usual Order of
"Awarding"

The city printing contracts, which are usually disposed of at this season of the year, have been given more consideration this time, and the question of broadening the scope or area a little, that more competition and bidding might be entertained by the council, was favored.

For a number of years there has been very little "noise" at bidding time, and the average taxpayer was in ignorance as to the awarding of this important item in the city's budget of "emoluments and perquisites."

So it happened that a departure from the time worn system has taken place this year, and at last Monday night's meeting the advertising and printing plans were referred to the finance committee consisting of Councilmen Plate, Scholes and Chandler. Their recommendation or decision in the matter will be watched with interest.

Homer Nicked
For Ten Bucks

Homer Willis, 21, 826 28th street, Oakland, came to Martinez to a dance Saturday night and thought he would show the "small town" boys and girls a good time with a little wine. Night Watchman W. J. Reder took a hand in the proceedings after Willis had peddled a few drinks from his automobile and Recorder R. L. Boyer wrote "finis" to Willis' good time Monday by assessing him \$10.—Gazette.

RANDOM COMMENT

Ad Schuster knows. Ad says a newspaper man's holiday is to wear a funny tie and come to work.

Maybe the reason Americans are opposed to war is that we work it all out of our systems during the football season.

Who remembers the good old days when we knew that Florida was nothing but swamp alligator and burning sand.

A large per cent of people who attend church cannot tell what the minister was talking about two hours later.

It is beginning to look like the next world's war will be between the aviators and the radio broadcaster for the freedom of the air.

The Russian government will sell vodka by the glass in movies. Perhaps that is expected to add to the enthusiastic enjoyment of the show.

It is claimed that the adoption of the 35-foot rail by the railroads will reduce the number of rail-joints 16 per cent and permit the cars to run more smoothly. A good suggestion for some of the Toonerville systems, some of which seem to be all joints.

Some Workingman's Town

A visitor to this city from Los Angeles stated that in walking a distance of one block from his home in that city he was solicited for the price of a meal from six men, who claimed to be hungry and out of work.

Service Stations May
Invade Business
Center

Monday night the city council granted O. R. Ludwig, former mayor and member of the city council, a permit to install a service station at Fifth and Macdonald, on the corner directly east of the Imperial hotel and in the same block with the First of Richmond Branch of the Mercantile Bank.

While the service station is to be attractive from an "artistic" standpoint, there is considerable discomfort on the part of property owners and taxpayers on West Macdonald as to the "enhancing of values," and also whether a service station will stimulate business in the logical center of Richmond's population.

While the general tendency at present is eastward, as far as business centers are concerned, the residents on streets parallel with Macdonald from First to Sixth have not moved eastward, nor will they desert their old homes. Perhaps the pendulum will swing back again, nearer the industries and the big interests.

Keep Your Pink

Do not send your pink certificate of ownership to the Division of Motor Vehicles at Sacramento when applying for your license plates for 1926. Information from Sacramento is that this will not be necessary as the law has been changed.

To secure new plates take your white certificate of registration from your car and mail it with a check, money order or bank draft for the amount of your fee to Sacramento. The plates will be mailed to you about January 1. Be sure that your name and present address is on the certificate.

Keep your pink certificate in a safe place. It is your title to your car, the state requires it only in case of a transfer.

Telephone As a
Business Getter

The experience of a large St. Louis department store illustrates the success of selling goods by telephone.

Newspaper advertisements announced a sale of apron dresses at 88 cents each and telephone orders were solicited. To take care of the orders sixty trunk lines were used. The sale included sixteen models in as many as 150 patterns, and in order to make it as convenient as possible for people special announcement was made that telephone orders would be received in the evening after the store had closed. When a final check-up was made, it was found that \$25,000 worth of dresses had been sold that evening and the next day.

Funeral of George W. Sharkey

Funeral services for the late George W. Sharkey, 52, who passed away Saturday morning at 10:30 in San Jose. Interment in the Oak Hill cemetery there.

Mr. Sharkey was a brother of Wm. R. Sharkey of Martinez, and Mrs. J. Lehan of Richmond. Three sisters, four brothers, the widow and three daughters mourn.

THE TERMINAL is on file in all the public libraries in Contra Costa county and has hundreds of readers.

ITALY LAUDS U. S. ON FUNDING PACT

COUNTRY HAILED AS FRIEND OF ROME

SAY PRINCIPLES OF JUSTICE CONTROL THE U. S.

Italian Delegates Won the Cordial and Sincere Sympathy Which Led to a Rapid and Happy Agreement, Says Premier Mussolini.

Rome.—A profound reverence for the United States, a great republic which proved that "a friend in need is a friend indeed," was the keynote of the stirring and eloquent speeches which Premier Mussolini and Count Volpi, finance minister, made in the chamber of deputies recently, commemorating the return of the debt funding commission from Washington. These speeches, echoing the gratitude of Italy for the splendid manner in which the United States had arranged for settling Italy's war loans, was punctuated time and again by tremendous applause, and the frequent rising to their feet of the deputies, even including the opposition.

Mussolini, who lead the applause which greeted Count Volpi's appearance in the chamber, voiced the gratitude of the country to Volpi.

The premier declared that the Americans are a great people, having a system of government under which they are living up to the traditions of freedom. That they have always been controlled by the principles of exact justice, and that when the American representatives found out the principles for which the new Italy stands, the Italian delegates won the cordial and sincere sympathy which led to a rapid and happy agreement.

Mussolini continued: "As a result of this cordial agreement between us, one of the oldest peoples in Europe that has found the security of youth in new Italy, and the people of the United States, there has been established a lasting and cordial understanding."

When Count Volpi arose to speak he was given another great demonstration. He said:

"The accord was reached because America recognized that Fascism represents national honesty and because America believes in the genius of Mussolini and knows that he will carry out to the last degree the terms of the debt settlement."

The finance minister ended his speech with the impressive statement that there was no battle to reach a settlement with the American debt commission, as it was composed of high-minded men who recognized the justice of Italy's contentions.

JUDGE THOMAS BURKE OF SEATTLE DROPS DEAD IN N. Y.

New York.—Judge Thomas Burke of Seattle fell dead into the arms of Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, at a meeting in the Guaranty Trust company building, 534 Fifth avenue, of trustees of the Carnegie endowment for international peace. The meeting was being held in the board room of the Carnegie Trust company.

Judge Burke, one of the trustees since 1910, made the trip across the continent with Mrs. Burke to attend the meeting. He was one of Washington state's most noted jurists and his name was known throughout the world. He was 77 years of age and was born in Clinton county, New York.

Death came as Judge Burke was in conference with a number of his country's leading citizens. Elihu Root, John W. Davis, lately Democratic candidate for president; Robert Lansing, secretary of state during the Wilson administration; David Jayne Hill, former ambassador to Germany, and others present rushed to the side of their stricken conferee.

First English Woman to Fly Dies
Fraytling, Sussex, England.—Mrs. Grahame-White, the first English woman to fly, is dead. Her initial flight was in a machine piloted by her son, Claude Grahame-White, noted aviator.

Strike Oil While Cleaning Ditch
Rickreall, Ore.—Men cleaning out a drainage ditch on the George Watt farm, about a mile south of here, reported they discovered oil and that it had been burning steadily.

Cardinal Vaughan's Brother Dies
London.—John Stephen Vaughan, titular bishop of Sebastopolis, auxiliary bishop of Salford and brother of the late Cardinal Vaughan, is dead.

Receives Bismarck's Grandson
Washington.—Prince Otto Bismarck of Prussia, grandson of the Iron Chancellor, was received recently by President Coolidge.

\$1,000,000 Fire in Iowa
Council Bluffs, Ia.—Property damage upward to \$1,000,000 was caused and two persons were seriously injured by a disastrous fire which swept one block of Council Bluffs business district a short time ago.

Heads Army Artillery Corps
Washington.—Col. Andrew Hero, Jr., of the coast artillery corps has been selected chief of the corps, with the rank of major general. He succeeds Major General Frank W. Coe, retired at his own request.

REP. CURRY DRAFTS TWO DRASTIC AIR MEASURES

One Bill to Abolish the Secretaries of War and Navy, Other Would Unify Aeronautics and Regulate Commercial Aviation.

Washington.—The first shot in what promises to become a terrific fight between a powerful congressional group and leaders of American military policy over aeronautics and national defense generally, was fired by Representative Charles R. Curry, Republican, of California.

Curry announced that he had completed the drafting of two bills designed to revolutionize completely the entire national defense machinery and would introduce them in congress soon.

One bill would abolish the secretaries of war and navy, substituting a secretary of national defense. The other would completely unify military aeronautics and place far-reaching authority in the secretary of commerce to regulate commercial aviation.

This new legislation contradicts in its major particulars the recommendations of the Morrow board, which President Coolidge personally appointed to investigate aircraft conditions, and which has just returned a report opposing the views of Colonel William Mitchell.

President Coolidge, it is understood, will approve the recommendations of his own commission.

The Curry bill will find further support in the report of the house aircraft committee, soon to be presented, which will endorse Colonel Mitchell's contentions almost as fully as the Morrow board threw them down.

Curry's one unified national defense plan would place assistant secretaries in charge of the army, navy and aviation, placing the latter branch on a parity with the others, but subordinating all present military officials to one civilian secretary, who would be a cabinet member.

ANCIENT CIVILIZATION IS FOUND IN UNITED STATES

Quincy, Ill.—Excavations in Pike county, Missouri, six miles from the Mississippi river, have unearthed what may be the remains of an ancient civilization. R. D. Burchard of St. Louis stumbled upon the find quite by accident when investigating an old Indian legend of buried treasure.

Beneath twelve feet of glacial drift a well-defined shaft was uncovered, walled with a queer cement-like material of a color different from the earth within the shaft. Inside the shaft at intervals of a few feet were found huge caps, or plates, of a concrete-like material.

At the sixty-five-foot level, fifty-three below the original surface, what Burchard believes was the floor of an ancient city was encountered.

The activities of the workers is concentrated at this time on a point twenty-five feet from the foot of the shaft, at the edge of what they believe to be a subterranean room. Therein Burchard expects to find gold, pottery and possibly the mummies or skeletons of a race of pre-glacial people.

Coal Reserve Nearly Drained
Philadelphia.—Activity in the anthracite suspension was confined chiefly to the consuming public, one of the three most vitally interested parties. This activity for the most part was devoted to efforts to replenish rapidly diminishing supplies. In most cases the efforts met with failure, for the reserve supply is about exhausted. Only a few dealers in this section have any hard coal, and what little they have is awaiting delivery on orders placed weeks ago. Actual suffering is reported from other sections of the anthracite consuming regions, where neither hard coal nor substitutes in sufficient quantities are available.

To Reopen French Debt Parley
Washington.—Secretary Mellon has received word from Finance Minister Loucheur of France, expressing hope for early renewal of negotiations for funding France's debt to the United States. The treasury also has been advised that Jugo-Slavia would send a debt-funding delegation to Washington within a few weeks. M. Loucheur promised that the American debt would have first attention after the cabinet had become firmly established.

Huge Volcano Crater Discovered
Washington.—Discovery of a huge volcanic crater, believed to be nearly as large as famous Crater lake in Oregon, is reported by the geologic survey in Alaska. The crater is approximately five miles wide and is at the summit of a mountain 8,000 feet high. This mountain is in the southwestern part of the Alaska peninsula. It is thought by experts of the survey to be the highest crater of like dimensions in the world.

Five Die as British Ship Sinks
London.—The British steamer Ashton sank recently after a collision with the United States shipping boat steamer Federal in the Scheldt river. The Ashton went down with the loss of the captain, pilot and three members of the crew.

U. S. Warships to Quit Syria
Washington.—The two United States destroyers at Beirut to protect American lives in Syria have been ordered withdrawn, the state department has announced.

CALIFORNIA NEWS BRIEFS

"It's a Privilege to Live in California."

Based on the largest program of construction and expansion in its history upon constantly increasing demand for farm, industrial and home power, the San Joaquin Light and Power company, at Fresno, announced recently that a 1926 budget of \$12,372,000—the largest in the company's history—has been approved by the directors. According to the general manager, the 1926 budget is \$4,372,000 greater than that of 1925, and it includes the heaviest expenditure for new construction ever contemplated by the company.

When the will of Michael Welch, French Guich, Shasta county, aged prospector, who died alone in his cabin, was opened, it was found that he had more than \$5,000 on deposit in a San Francisco bank. By the terms of the will all of the money will go to two school girls, Roberta and Leona Williams, the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams, who were neighbors of Welch. The girls had done him many kindnesses, but without any expectation of monetary return.

The largest quarterly apportionment of gasoline tax collections made since the inauguration of the gas levy three years ago was announced recently by State Controller Ray L. Riley. A total of \$7,620,927.88, divided equally between the state and the various counties for road maintenance and reconstruction, was apportioned. Los Angeles leading the list of counties with an allotment of \$1,510,994.06, and San Francisco standing second with an award of \$297,360.23.

Another wild hog hunt in the river bottoms near Riverbank, in Stanislaus county, came near ending disastrously for M. J. Kline and his son Allan, when the two started alone to round up some of the porkers. One of the wild hogs turned on the boy and he ran and climbed a tree, but not before he received a gash just below the knee from the tusk of one of the wild beasts. But they were repaid for their trouble by bagging a 600-pound hog.

That the Tulare county library system may be made available as a sizeable institution for Orsini rather than an ordinary branch, the improvement club of Orsini has decided to the county the lots upon which the club recently built a library building. The county will maintain the library as a part of the county system and by the arrangement will have a bigger and better library than would be possible under its own community operation.

By actual count seventy-five fine homes were built in Redding, Shasta county, this year—the greatest home-building season the city has ever had. The homes are modern, too—built with an eye to the beautiful as well as for convenience and comfort. It is predicted by building contractors that the coming year will be nearly as good, for there is still a housing shortage in Redding.

A program based upon concessions which California is willing to make to Arizona in connection with the development of the Colorado river was adopted in Los Angeles recently at a meeting of California and Nevada representatives and was followed by the departure of the representatives for Phoenix to confer with the Arizona legislature committee there.

Salmon eggs taken this season at the United States fishery at Baird, Shasta county, total 1,500,000, the best season for ten years, though years ago as many as 30,000,000 were a season's yield. At Mill Creek, in Tehama county, 3,250,000 will be taken and at the Butte creek hatchery, also in Tehama county, the season yield is 2,000,000.

Elisha Shortridge of Santa Rosa, Sonoma county, pioneer, whose home has been in Pocket Canyon for more than sixty years, unearthed pewter plates and spoons on his ranch. It is believed they are relics of Spanish occupancy, especially as one of the plates had been repaired with copper, which is said to have been the custom of the Spaniards.

With approximately two million bags on hand, San Joaquin county potato growers anticipate one of the best seasons they have experienced in several years, due to the rapid advance in prices. It is conservatively estimated that the increase within the past two weeks has resulted in an increase of \$500,000 in returns to delta growers.

Red Bluff, Tehama county, has another new industry with the establishing of a planing mill and box factory at 154 Rio street by the Cross Lumber company. The company has three acres facing the Sacramento river, affording ample space for lumber yards, including sheds for storing various kinds of building material.

Everything is in readiness for the big season of winter sports at Lake Arrowhead, San Bernardino county, and hundreds of vacationists and all-year residents with their snowshoes, skis, bobbeds and ice skates are patiently awaiting the first heavy fall of snow that will start the winter activities.

The huge new Calipatria ice plant, at Calipatria, Imperial county, will be ready for service in the coming shipping season, work on the building having progressed to the point where it is almost ready to be turned over to the owners.

Poultry houses for the poultry division of the college of agriculture at Davis, Yolo county, are contemplated, to cost \$10,000.

Work is to start immediately on the West Memorial infirmary of the College of the Pacific at Stockton, San Joaquin county.

Work is progressing rapidly on the new \$350,000 junior high school of Eureka, Humboldt county. The school will not be used until next year.

The Pacific Gas and Electric company virtually has completed improvement work in Red Bluff, Tehama county, at a cost of about \$80,000.

A building permit of \$35,250 for the erection of a new Bank of Italy building at Oroville, Butte county, has been filed with the city clerk of that town.

Arcadia, Los Angeles county, the "city without a park," is to have one, according to plans formulated recently by the Arcadia realty board.

The Community church, now under construction at Davis, Yolo county, will cost in the neighborhood of \$100,000, including furnishings. It is to be completed by Easter.

Deals in citrus ranch property totaling approximately \$65,000, reported this week, indicate that real estate activity in Upland, San Bernardino county, is continuing brisk.

Contracts totaling \$47,240.10 were let by the city trustees of Antioch, Contra Costa county, recently for the construction of the reservoir and pipe line for the Antioch water system.

Shasta county's share of the money for one year from the United States forest reserve fund has been received by Mrs. Edna Behrens Eaton, the county treasurer. The amount is \$13,514.33.

A site at the corner of Miner avenue and Sutter street, in Stockton, San Joaquin county, has been selected for the 12-story Medico-Dental building, construction of which will start within the next few months.

The agricultural engineering irrigation building for the college of agriculture at Davis, Yolo county, is to be started as soon as possible. The plans are now in architect's hands. The building is to cost \$123,000.

Negotiations for the merger of the Roseville Banking company of Roseville, Placer county, with the Bank of Italy of San Francisco, are now pending and will probably be consummated in the near future.

A reception and banquet was tendered to Gustav Albert Hutaff, grand junior warden of the Free and Accepted Masons of California at Weed, Thanksgiving eve, by the seven Masonic lodges of Siskiyou county.

Plans are being drawn to build a \$20,000 store building near the Sylvan hotel, at Van Nuys, Los Angeles county, for the Pacific Battery company, which established its business in Van Nuys about six years ago.

November building in Tulare county was led by the city of Tulare with a total of \$26,477, a healthy gain over the total last November of \$24,000. Total to date for 1925 is \$262,927, as compared with \$163,972 December 1.

Fren Campen of Mountain View, Santa Clara county, awarded a contract for the construction of a one-story reinforced concrete store and theater building to be built in that place. The building will cost \$22,500.

San Luis Obispo claims distinction in the construction realm for November. During the past month more than \$98,540 worth of building has been authorized as compared with a total of \$7940 during November, 1924.

A modern hospital may be erected in Huntington Beach, Los Angeles county in the near future, it was announced with the revelation that two lots have been purchased by the Milton hospital interests of Los Angeles.

With the importation of nineteen silver black foxes, said to have cost \$12,000, and their release on a carefully fenced farm in the high Sierras, near Lake Tahoe, California has made a start in "fur farming" for the market.

Sheikhs and flappers will no longer do the Charleston until the rosy light of dawn breaks in upon the merriment, nor will they, if under eighteen years of age, be allowed in any public dance hall at any time unless accompanied by an adult under the terms of an ordinance adopted by the Glenn county board of supervisors.

Engineers of the state mining bureau and private organizations in Placer county, it became known recently, are making investigations to determine the extent of a gold-bearing promise which has been discovered in Miners' Ravine and Secret Ravine, between Roseville and Penryn.

Merger of the Harris Manufacturing company, a large harvester concern at Stockton, with a new harvester company to be formed by Harry Fair for the purpose of operating the Stockton Holt plant, has been proposed to the stockholders of the Pierce-Fair company, the holding company for the recently formed Caterpillar Tractor company.

Eileen Smith of Yreka, Siskiyou county, was just a young bride when she came to the mountain country to make her home with her husband, James Millard Smith, in 1856. Now she is dead at the age of 89 years. Mrs. Smith, whose memories of pioneer days remained vivid almost to the end, told of two fierce Indian attacks made on their party in their journey from San Francisco to Siskiyou county. Her husband was a veteran of the Mexican war, the two meetings in San Francisco soon after her arrival from the east via Panama in 1854. Smith died many years ago.

MIRACLE PICTURE SEEN ON WALL OF CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worshippers See Outline of Madonna in Plaster Stain.

New York.—Long Island seems in a fair way to have its own Lourdes.

On the gray plaster wall of St. Martin's Roman Catholic church at Central Park, L. I., has appeared recently a dark stain, marked with white, which in outline and appearance suggests a faded likeness of the Madonna. Like some of the "natural pictures" found in various parts of the world on rock formations, the figure grows in detail under concentrated scrutiny.

Awed members of the parish, who have gazed on the "miracle" day after day and declare that the mysterious figure is becoming clearer and clearer, say they can discern also an image of the Christ child in Mary's arms, and point to a spot of light just below her throat as the halo above his head.

They assert, too, that a dimmer halo is developing above the mother's inclined head.

Outside a church the casual observer might take the phenomenon for a weather stain, which by some freak chance has formed itself into a remarkable resemblance of a woman's face and torso. But whether the "miracle" is the result of rain or is in truth a Divine manifestation the fact remains that Central park has become a Mecca for believers who have heard of the figures and come to gaze reverently upon them.

Church Crowded Nightly. Special busses have run to the church from Flushing, cars have made pilgrimages to St. Martin's from all parts of Long Island; people have



The Figure Grows in Detail Under Concentrated Scrutiny.

come in twos and threes and in crowds from Yonkers, from the nearby Jersey towns, from everywhere that popular belief in the genuineness of the Divine nature of the manifestation has spread. At night the church is jammed, the worshippers standing in line to light vigils and votive lights on the altar rail and at the foot of the statue of St. Martin in honor of the mysterious figure.

Rev. Daniel H. Dwyer, pastor of the church, who is known to his flock as "Father Dan," will venture no opinion as to the miraculous or commonplace nature of the phenomenon. "I am not in a position to form an opinion yet," he says. "I see no more than anyone else sees, but certainly the image of the Christ child is clear."

May Become "Shrine Church."
There is talk in the parish of having St. Martin's made a "shrine church" on the strength of the shadowy figures which have appeared on its wall. Already women with sickly and crippled children are beginning to bring them to the sanctuary, which is alight with candles from early morn until late at night. No cures have been reported yet. Father Dan says nothing has been done by those in authority in the diocese to make St. Martin's a shrine church.

A member of the church board of trustees has given a possible explanation of the "miracle picture" by recalling that a portion of the wall above the spot where the likeness appears was damaged by a storm a year ago when the church was nearing completion. He thinks the wall may have become rain-soaked then, but feels the shape assumed by the stains resulting would be none the less miraculous.

Saves Child

Norristown, Pa.—Louis N. McCarter, Jr., a member of the McCarter Iron company, with his clothes on, jumped into a near-by millpond and rescued Joseph Angelo, a six-year-old boy, from drowning. The lad, with his sister, fell into the water trying to get a tin can and was unconscious as he was lifted from the water as he was going through the sluiceway.



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"In your side's favor?"
"No, the other fellows."
"Guess you're going to get beaten, aren't you?"
"Oh, I don't know! We haven't been to bat yet."—Newport Recruit.

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Pleasure that isn't shared with another loses half its power to please.

Pimples



What can I do?

"O H, why can't I have a skin like other girls? Why do I have to have these ugly pimples, blotches and blackheads?"

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PRESIDENT SENDS HIS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS

General Condition of Nation Is One of Progress and Prosperity.

Washington.—President Coolidge, in his message to the Sixty-ninth congress, said that the general condition of the nation is one of progress and prosperity. The President said that he approved of the new revenue bill as framed by the house ways and means committee.

The President's message in part is as follows:

Members of the Congress:

In meeting the constitutional requirements of informing the congress upon the state of the Union, it is exceedingly gratifying to report that the general condition is one of progress and prosperity.

In our country the people are sovereign and independent, and must accept the resulting responsibilities. The greatest solicitude should be exercised to prevent any encroachment upon the rights of the states or their various political subdivisions. Local self-government is one of our most precious possessions.

For Government Economy.

It is a fundamental principle of our country that the people are sovereign. They hold inviolate in their own hands the jurisdiction over their own freedom and the ownership of their own property. The wealth of our country is not public wealth, but private wealth. It does not belong to the government, it belongs to the people. It is always necessary to keep these principles in mind in the laying of taxes and in the making of appropriations. All proposals for assuming new obligations ought to be postponed, unless they are reproductive capital investments or are such as are absolutely necessary at this time.

It has always been our policy to retire our debts.

The taxpayer will be required to produce nearly twice the amount of commodities to pay his debt if the dollar returns to the 1913 value. The more we pay while prices are high, the easier it will be.

There is room for further economy in the cost of the federal government, but a comparison of current expenditures with pre-war expenditures is not unfavorable to the efficiency with which government business is now being done.

Coal.

The congress has wisely set up the bureau of budget.

This gives a centralized authority where a general and comprehensive understanding can be reached of the sources of income and the most equitable distribution of expenditures. How well it has worked is indicated by the fact that the departmental estimates for 1922, before the budget law, were \$4,068,000,000 while the budget estimates for 1927 are \$3,156,000,000. This latter figure shows the reductions in departmental estimates for the coming year made possible by the operation of the budget system that the congress has provided.

Prohibition.

The purpose of reducing expenditures is to secure a reduction in taxes. That purpose is about to be realized. With commendable promptness the ways and means committee of the house has undertaken in addition to frame a revenue act. In its present form it should provide sufficient revenue for the government. I approve of the bill in principle.

I am advised that the bill will be brought before the house by Christmas. The bill should reach me prior to March 15.

Foreign Relations.

The policy of our foreign relations, casting aside any suggestion of force, rests solely on the foundation of peace, good will, and good works.

It seems clear that it is the reduction of armies rather than of navies that is of the first importance to the world at the present time.

Court of International Justice.

Pending before the senate for nearly three years is the proposal to adhere to the protocol establishing the Permanent Court of International Justice. A well-established line of precedents mark America's effort to effect the establishment of a court of this nature.

Foreign Debts.

Gradually, settlements have been made which provide for the liquidation of debts due to our government from foreign governments.

Alien Property.

Negotiations are progressing among the interested parties in relation to the final distribution of the assets in the hands of the alien property custodian.

Immigration.

While not enough time has elapsed to afford a conclusive demonstration, such results as have been secured indicate that our immigration law is on the whole beneficial. It is undoubtedly a protection to the wage earners of this country.

National Defense.

Never before in time of peace has our country maintained so large and effective a military force as it now has. The army, navy, marine corps, National Guard, and organized reserves represent a strength of about 558,400 men. These forces are well trained, well equipped, and high in morale.

A method of co-ordination and co-

operation of the army and navy and the principal aircraft builders is being perfected.

Aviation is of great importance both for national defense and commercial development. We ought to proceed in its improvement by the necessary experiment and investigation. Our country is not behind in this art.

Veterans.

If anyone desires to estimate the esteem in which the veterans of America are held by their fellow citizens, it is but necessary to remember that the current budget calls for an expenditure of about \$650,000,000 in their behalf.

Agriculture.

No doubt the position of agriculture as a whole has very much improved since the depression of three and four years ago. But there are many localities and many groups of individuals, apparently through no fault of their own, sometimes due to climatic conditions and sometimes to the prevailing price of a certain crop, still in a distressing condition. This is probably temporary, but it is none the less acute. National government agencies, the Department of Agriculture and Commerce, the farm loan board, the intermediate credit banks, and the federal reserve board are all co-operating to be of assistance and relief. On the other hand, there are localities and individuals who have had one of their most prosperous years. The general price level is fair, but here again there are exceptions both ways, some items being poor while others are excellent. In spite of a lessened production the farm income for this year will be about the same as last year and much above the three preceding years.

Muscle Shoals.

The problem of Muscle Shoals seems to me to have assumed a place all out of proportion with its real importance. This property ought to be transferred to private management under conditions which will dedicate it to the public purpose for which it was conceived.

Reclamation.

The national government is committed to a policy of reclamation and irrigation which it desires to establish on a sound basis and continue in the interest of the localities concerned.

Shipping.

The maintenance of a merchant marine is of the utmost importance for national defense and the service of our commerce. We have a large number of ships engaged in that service. We also have a surplus supply, costly to care for, which ought to be sold.

Coal.

The perennial conflict in the coal industry is still going on to the great detriment of the wage earners, the owners, and especially to the public. The industry could serve the public much better and become subject to a much more effective method of control if regional consolidations and more freedom in the formation of marketing associations, under the supervision of the Department of Commerce, were permitted.

At the present time the national government has little or no authority to deal with this vital necessity of the life of the country. Authority should be lodged with the President and the Departments of Commerce and Labor, giving them power to deal with an emergency. The report of the last coal commission should be brought forward, reconsidered and acted upon.

Prohibition.

Under the orderly processes of our fundamental institutions the Constitution was lately amended providing for national prohibition. The congress passed an act for its enforcement, and similar acts have been provided by most of the states. It is the duty of all who come under its jurisdiction to observe the spirit of that law, and it is the duty of the Department of Justice and the Treasury department to enforce it.

Waterway Development.

For many years our country has been employed in plans and operations for the development of our inland waterways and inland waterways. This work along our coast is an important adjunct to our commerce. It will be carried on, together with the further opening up of our harbors, as our resources permit.

Along with the development of navigation should go every possible encouragement for the development of our water power.

Railroads.

The railroads throughout the country are in a fair state of prosperity. Their service is good and their supply of cars is abundant. Their condition would be improved and the public better served by a system of consolidations. I recommend that the congress authorize such consolidations.

Civil Service.

In 1883 the congress passed the civil service act, which from a modest beginning of 14,000 employees has grown until there are now 425,000 in the classified service. This has removed the clerical force of the nation from the wasteful effects of the spoils system and made it more stable and efficient. The time has come to consider classifying all postmasters, collectors of customs, collectors of internal revenue and prohibition agents by an act covering those at present in office, except when otherwise provided by executive order.

It is apparent that we are reaching into an era of great general prosperity. It will continue only so long as we shall use it properly. If the people will continue industrious and thrifty, contented with fair wages and moderate profits, and the returns which accrue from the development of our natural resources, our prosperity will extend itself indefinitely.

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The Kitchen Cabinet

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HELPFUL HINTS

A tea wagon or wheeled tray is a wonderful step-saver for the housewife who has all of her own work to do. It may hold the dessert and on the lower shelf may be placed the dinner plates so that one trip will carry away the table dishes.

Add a little borax to the rinsing water for thin garments and fine handkerchiefs. It adds just enough stiffness to make them seem fresh and new when ironed. Mix the chopped fruit with the sugar and butter when making a fruit or plum cake, then when baked it will not sink to the bottom.

A little lemon juice and grated rind added to apple pie, if the apple is not fresh and good flavored makes a tastier pie.

When using canned pumpkin for pies—and who wouldn't to save time, fuel and strength—open the can and put the pumpkin into a saucepan to stew down. This removes much of the moisture and gives it a color like the old-fashioned home-stewed pumpkin.

When serving afternoon tea, stick a clove or two in the slices of lemon—some of them as clove flavor is especially good in combination with lemon. A cube of preserved pineapple is another well liked tea adjunct.

Cubes of sugar rubbed over the fresh washed skin of an orange will absorb the oil and add flavor when used in tea.

When baking potatoes, parboil them a few minutes until well heated, then bake. They will bake more quickly and save the oven heat.

A glass of orange juice for the invalid is one of the best of drinks and a most agreeable tonic. It is good for the three-months-old babe as well as the grandmother in the family. An orange at night is the best of bowel regulators.

In the home where tobacco smoking is common, place a dish of water in the room on leaving it for the night and the odors will be absorbed by morning.

Soak a new broom in salt water and wash it weekly in the laundry tubs of hot soapsuds. Then hang or rest on the handle to dry.

Scorched linen may be restored by wetting and placing in the bright sunshine.

To mend a crack in a stove, mix equal parts of salt and wood ashes with enough water to mix well. Fill the crack and when dry it will be like cement.

Seasonable Good Things.

While eggs are high in price the following cake, once tried, will become a favorite:

One-Egg Plum Cake. — Cream one-half cupful of butter with one cupful of sugar, add one egg well beaten, one cupful of milk, a little salt and ginger and a grating of nutmeg, with a light flavoring of vanilla or lemon; two cupfuls of flour, sifted with two teaspoonsful of baking powder and one-half cupful of stonate, chopped raisins. Bake in a moderate oven. Add the milk alternately with the flour, a little at a time, beating well.

Bean Porridge.—This is really a cream soup. Soak two cupfuls of beans overnight; in the morning bring to the boiling point and stir in a bit of soda—an eighth of a teaspoonful is ample—drain and cover with fresh water. Boil slowly until nearly done, add salt and allow them to simmer until very soft. Mash with a potato masher and add a quart of rich milk. Stir well, bring to the boiling point and serve with crackers, adding a tablespoonful of butter just before serving.

Apricot Sponge.—Soften a tablespoonful of gelatin in one-fourth of a cupful of water and dissolve in one cupful of apricot pulp and juice, heated hot. Add one-fourth of a cupful of sugar and stir until dissolved, then when the mixture begins to become firm, beat in the whites of two eggs, well beaten. Serve in sherbet cups topped with sweetened whipped cream. Prunes may be used in place of the apricots.

Chocolate Bread Pudding.—Soak a pint of bread crumbs in a quart of scalding milk for half an hour. Melt two squares of chocolate, add one-third of a cupful of sugar and the milk from the bread crumbs, to make a batter. Add to the bread another third of a cupful of sugar, pinch of salt, half a cupful of shredded almonds, two eggs, cinnamon to taste. Turn into a buttered baking dish and bake one hour. Serve with any favorite sauce.

Lemon, Milk Sherbet.—Take a quart of good rich milk, add one and one-half cupfuls of strained honey or two cupfuls of sugar with one cupful of lemon juice. Mix well and freeze. The mixture will curdle when combined but will freeze smooth as velvet.

Marie Maxwell

MY FAVORITE STORIES

By IRVIN S. COBB

The Burning Question of the Moment

When Admiral Peary, then a naval commander, came back from the Pole a group of special correspondents for big city papers secured a tug from the Dominion government and steamed up the Labrador coast to meet the returning explorer and to get the first interview with him.

In the party was one New York correspondent who spent three days framing a highly scientific and involved question which was designed, so he thought, to bring out the exact truth regarding Peary's achievement. It will be remembered that the Dr. Cook controversy was then raging. All the way up the coast he was insisting that he should have a chance, without interruption, to fire his broadside.

Peary's answer, he stated, would inevitably have a direct bearing upon the claims of Dr. Cook and would show conclusively whether Peary had really reached the Pole.

In a body the newspaper men boarded Peary's ship and met him. After the first exchange of greetings and congratulations the spokesman for the interviewers cleared his throat and said:

"Commander Peary, this gentleman here has a very important question to ask you."

Peary turned aggressively upon the New Yorker. His bushy eyebrows and bushier mustache were bristling.

"What do you want to know?" he demanded briskly.

The New York newspaper man was seized with confusion. He fumbled in his pockets and produced a cigarette. "What is it you want to ask me?" repeated Peary sharply.

"Have you got a match?" he inquired.

Proving There's Something in a Name

I once knew a colored child called "Exey" for short, whose real name was Eczema. The mother of the unfortunate pickaninny had found the word in a patent medicine almanac and had fallen in love with its poetic sound. I also included in my acquaintance at one time a negro youth who answered to the title of Hallowed Harris.

"Yes, suh," stated his father on being pressed for his reason for choosing so unusual a baptismal prefix for his offspring. "I got dat name outen de Holy Bible. Don't you 'member, boss, whar it say in de Lawd's Prayer, 'Hallowed be dy name?'"

But the Testamental name which struck me as being most interesting of all was worn by a dog—a mangy appearing, breedless, nondescript rabbit dog which trailed an old darkey whom a friend of mine claims he met on a road in the piney woods of south Georgia. The dog ranged off into the thickets and his owner ordered him back.

"Did I hear you calling that dog 'Rover,' Uncle?" asked my friend.

"Naw, suh. I called him 'Over,' 'wich is short for 'Mo'over,' 'wich it is de dawg's right name."

"Where did you get that name and why?"

"Fur good reasons, boss," said the old man, with a chuckle. "When I gits dat dawg he's jess little scabby pup an' alluz 'nointin' of hissef' wld his tongue. So I 'members whar de Good Book say, 'An' de dawg, Mo'over, licked his sores.' So I knowed den I had done hit on de right name fur dat pup of mine."

A Violent Indisposition

I first heard this one several years ago. I have heard it several times in varying forms since then. But for me age cannot wither nor custom stale it. To my way of thinking, it is still worthy of being included in any symposium, great or small, of stories dealing with the Afro-American population.

As my favorite version runs, a colored man, on appearing for work one morning wore a countenance so battered that almost one might have been pardoned for assuming that its owner had made a more or less successful effort to run it through a meat chopper. The white man for whom the scarred and bruised victim worked took one look at that disfigured face and threw up both hands in horror and sympathy.

"Great heavens, boy," he cried, "what you been doing to yourself?"

"Me? I ain't been doin' nothin' to mysef'," explained the darkey. "But somethin' is done been did to me, Mr. Watkins. It's lak dis, suh: Yistidday evenin' I got into a kind of an argumint wid another nigger an' one word led to another, ez it will. An' purty soon I up an' hauled off an' hit at him wid my fist."

"Well, seemed lak that: irritated him. So he took an split my lip wide open wid a pair of brass knucks, an' he blacked dis eye of mine clear down to my armpit an' he tore one ear moughty long loose from de side of my haid, an' den, to cap all, he knocked me down and stomped up an' down 'pun my stomach wid his feet. . . . Honest to G—d, Mr. Watkins, I never did git so sick of a nigger in all my life!"

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